

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend paragraph [0018] as follows:

[0018] It may be seen that two contact surfaces C of the joint compartments 2, 5 are located on the slopes of the tibial contour associated with the sockets 4, 7 and on the femoral contour associated with the condyles 3, 6 on the insides. A laterally introduced relative motion of the sockets 4, 7 in relation to the condyles 3, 6 causes the contact surfaces C1 to shift to the contact surfaces C2 and thus to the associated surface normals 8, 9. Preferably, the angles between each contact surface normal and the direction of their respective resultant joint loading lines are a maximum of 40 degrees. In the figure, these angles are denoted β_1 – β_4 .